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CONFIRMATION NO. 5476

SERIAL No.: 10/828,744

GROUP ART UNIT: 3743

FILED: April 20, 2004

EXAMINER: Kari Kristen Petrik

FOR: SPLINT OR SUPPO **TECHNIQUE**

ATTY. REFERENCE: GRIM3001/JJC

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 **Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

<i>Sir:</i> Transm	itted herewith is a communication/amendment in the above-identified application.
	Small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is claimed.
	No additional fee is required.

The fee, if any, has been calculated as shown below:

Fee Basis	Number of Claims After Amendment	Highest Numl Previously Pa For		Extra Claims	Small Entity	Full Fee
Total Claims	47	- 47	1	= 0	× \$ 25 =	× \$ 50 =
Independent Claims	6	- 6	2	= 0	× \$100 =	× \$ 200 =
☐ First Presentation	of Proper Multi	ple Dependent	+ \$180 =	+ \$360 =		

¹ If less than 20 enter 20.

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is attached. \boxtimes A check in the amount of \$ 120.00

Also enclosed is/are: Request for Extension of Time (1 month)

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Customer Number Phone: (703) 683-0500

DATE:

December 5, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

JUSTIN J. CASSELL Attorney for Applicant

Registration Number: 46,205

² If less than 3 enter 3.

³ If less than 0 enter 0.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication, including fees due under 37 CFR 1.16 and 37 CFR 1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 02-0200.